

An IR spectroscopic study of the kinetics of conformational transitions of 1,9,10,11,12,12-hexachloro-4,6-dioxatricyclo[9,2,1,02,8]dodeca-10- ene in solutions

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Abstract

The IR spectra and the $\text{exo} \rightleftharpoons \text{endo}$ conformational equilibrium of 1,9,10,11,12,12-hexachloro-4,6-dioxatricyclo[9,2,1,02,8]dodeca-10- ene (HCA) in carbon disulfide were studied in the temperature range 230-300 K. The difference of the enthalpies was found to be 2.7(2) kJ/mol in favor of the exo conformer. The kinetics of the conformational transition of HCA in acetone- d_6 and carbon disulphide was studied in the temperature range 213-220 K. The enthalpies $\Delta H^\ddagger_{\text{exo}}$ and entropies $\Delta S^\ddagger_{\text{exo}}$ of activation of the $\text{exo} \rightarrow \text{endo}$ conformational transition were found to be $\Delta H^\ddagger_{\text{exo}} = 51(4)$ and $70(2)$ kJ/mol and $\Delta S^\ddagger_{\text{exo}} = -76(20)$ and $-11(7)$ J/(mol K) in acetone- d_6 and carbon disulphide, respectively. The ratios between the absorption coefficients of the endo and exo conformer bands (727 cm^{-1} and 786 cm^{-1} , respectively) were found to be 0.63(9) in acetone- d_6 and 0.65(5) in carbon disulfide. The differences of the entropies of the HCA conformers in these solvents [$\Delta S^\circ = -5(2)$ J/(mol K)] were determined. The absorption bands were assigned based on the results of quantum-chemical *ab initio* calculations.
